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A FEW WORDS TO THE READER.

Nearly forty years ago the thought presented itself to me that it would be a pleasing pastime to trace my lineage back at least to the time when my progenitors came to the New World—not that I thought that the investigation would reveal the fact that royal blood was coursing in my veins, or that some of my forefathers fell at Bunker Hill, or some had left a name that would be an honor to me; but the effort was based on no other grounds than for my own satisfaction. It was on the occasion of my last visit to my paternal grandmother, who was then 87 years of age, living in Petersburg, this State, that I took the first items. I obtained from her a copy of all the records (which were few) in her possession, enlivened her memory and exhausted her recollections, and received all the traditions that she could think of in regard to the name.

Other matters of a more pressing importance presented themselves, and this work slumbered (though the thought was not abandoned) until two years ago, when, having considerable leisure during the winter season, I overhauled what I had and set myself at work anew in the case. Since that time many of my spare moments have been devoted to the collecting of material. I have gleaned somewhat from the records of Old England and especially of Northern Wales, the land from whence my foreparents emigrated; New England, particularly Massachusetts, Rhode Island and Vermont, have added their store; Canada West, the Empire State and many of her sister States, where the name or its kindred is known or have lived, have been pretty thoroughly worked over; old burial grounds and family records without stint have been consulted; the patience of officials and relatives has been tried, and, in fact, every stone has been turned where I thought an item could be obtained, and from the large mass of material (enough to make a respectable volume in

size) I have assorted and arranged what is here presented, which seems very small compared with the labor it has taken to obtain it. It was my first thought to write more extensively; to take in a wider range than to the third degree of relationship, and to jot down some of the more important facts in their life-history, and for awhile I collected items for that purpose; but on reflection the few who will be interested in the work and the very small number of copies that can ever be disposed of must and will limit the expense accordingly.

Something had been done by general gleaners in the field before me, but it has been a much greater task than was at first expected, and it is with considerable regret that I have been wholly unable to obtain some data to me very important.

It is indeed pleasing to know that I have received from those who have kindly lent their aid in this work almost universal kindness and respect, for which I hereby tender my heartfelt thanks.

Canadice, N. Y., 1893.

D. BYRON WAITE.

GENEALOGICAL SKETCH OF THE BRANCH OF THE WAIT
OR WAITE FAMILY TO WHICH THE
AUTHOR BELONGS.

We have made but little effort to obtain many items from the records of the Old World, the home of our forefathers, merely enough to get a satisfactory starting point and to trace our lineage from thence down to our advent to the shores of the new one.

The earliest record we can find, and the source from whence all by the name seem to trace their origin, was Ralf de Waiet, son of "Ralf," an Englishman by a Welsh woman, who married Emma, sister to Roger, Earl of Hereford, a cousin to William the Conqueror, who gave him in 1075 the earldom, city and castle of Norwich in England. For a few generations we find the name variously spelled as Waiet, Wate, Waight, Wayght, Wayt and Wayte, but there is no question among genealogical gleaners but that Ricardus Le Wayte, of the county Warwick, who was in 1315 Escheator of counties Berkshire, Wilts, Oxford, Bedford and Bucks, was a direct lineal descendant of Ralf. Thereafter the name was written Wayte almost exclusively, until the different ones of the name came to New England, when that was discarded and Wait, or Waite, used instead.

The earliest settlers in New England of the name were Richard, Gamaliel and Thomas, of Boston, and Richard of Watertown, Mass.; Thomas of Ipswich, Benjamin of

Hatfield and John of Windsor, Connecticut, and George of Providence, R. I., all of whom arrived in New England previous to 1664, the posterity of whom all claim to be descendants of Ricardus.

Our kindred, though distant, are pretty freely distributed over the central portion of Southern England, extending from thence to Northern Wales, the land from whence our progenitors came to the New World, and very often in the responses to our inquiries of those of the same name have we received the same reply, showing that tradition, which investigation proves to be a fact, has handed down well that portion of our own history: "We descended from three brothers who came from Wales." Richard, the eldest of those brothers, was born in 1596, Gamaliel in 1598, and Thomas in 1601, and they came to Boston in 1634, the same year the ballot box was first used in the colony, and Richard was at one time marshal there. They were cousins to Thomas Wayte, who was a member of Parliament and one of the judges who signed the warrant in 1649 for the execution of Charles the First.

The late Morrison Remick Waite, chief justice of the United States, traced his lineage through a Henry Matson, Remick and three Thomases to Thomas Wayte the Regicide.

Like very many of the ancient families of Britain, ours had its "coat of arms" down to the middle of the seventeenth century. When Charles the Second ascended the throne in 1660, those who were instrumental in putting his father to death were brought to the scaffold (except

John Dixwell, William Goffe and Edward Whalley, who fled to America) and Thomas Wayte, being one of that number, either by act of Parliament or edict from the throne, tradition says, the family was deprived of that insignia, but from the description handed down we have had a cut engraved expressly for us, which we trust will give a very fair idea of the original.



THE COAT OF ARMS OF THE WAITE FAMILY.

In March, 1638, William Coddington and seventeen others went from Boston by invitation of Roger Williams and acquired of Miantonomoh, a chief of the Narragansetts, the island Rhode Island, then variously called Aquiday, Aquidneck, Aquitnec and Aquetnac, which means in the Narragansett language, "Peaceable Island," and on the extreme northern part thereof founded a settlement and called it Portsmouth.

They drew up and signed the following compact: "We, whose names are underwritten, do swear solemnly, in the presence of Jehovah, to incorporate ourselves into a body politic, and, as He shall help us, will submit our persons, lives and estates, unto our Lord Jesus Christ, the King of Kings, and Lord of Hosts, and to all His holy Word

of Truth, to be guided and judged thereby," and Codrington was chosen chief ruler, with three assistants, which comprised the council, and the motto of their seal was *Amor Vincit Omnia*.

The next year in early May another company went from Boston and joined them, and among that number was Thomas Wait, who was born, as we have said, in 1601, and landed in America in 1634.

It is of this *Thomas Wait of Portsmouth, R. I.*, and his descendants that we purpose to write and trace genealogically down to the present generation, dropping as we pass along those beyond the third degree of relationship to the line we trace, with the exception of the last generation, where we extend one degree further at the request of quite a number of those interested.

Thomas invariably wrote his name Wait, and his descendants also, with a very few exceptions, down almost to the present, while his cousin Richard, born in 1608, and who settled in Watertown, Mass., in 1637, wrote his Waite, and also did all the descendants of Thomas the regicide, who settled in Connecticut, and in fact a very large percentage of those of the name in the United States now write their name with a final "e."

This sketch is not intended in any sense to be a biography, and we shall keep clear of writing either a "satire or a panegyric," and although we find some of our family acted well their part in the early Indian wars, in the Revolution and later conflicts of our country, and some have filled offices of honor and trust credibly, yet not

much matter of either a military or political nature will appear in these pages, that portion of our family history being left for a more competent pen.

From a letter we received from the late Benson J. Lossing, the eminent historian, a short time before his death we learn that Thomas Waite, almost immediately after his arrival on the island, applied for a lot on which to build (the land being held in common) and at the first meeting of the council thereafter the record of its proceedings reads: "July 1, 1639. Granted to Thomas Wait a house lot next Mr. Wick's." On the 16th of March, 1641, he was made a Freeman, a privilege then only granted to church members, and on the sixth of May, eight years afterwards, he was a witness to the will of Antony Paine. On the 30th of April, 1661, he bought lands in Acushnet and Cohasset, Massachusetts.

He died in Portsmouth in 1677 intestate, and the town council divided his property among his children: Samuel, Joseph, Jeremiah, Thomas, Mary and Reuben. His wife's name is not on record that we can find; she must have died previous to the division of his property.

Samuel, the eldest son of Thomas, was born in Portsmouth; married a woman whose name was Hannah, and he and others of Narragansett, on the 3d of July, 1663, petitioned to be under the protection of the Connecticut colony. He took the oath of allegiance to Rhode Island May the 20th, 1671, and died in Kings Town in 1694, leaving children Samuel, Joseph and Susanna.

Joseph, the second son of Thomas, died on the 25th

day of August, 1665, in Portsmouth, leaving a widow, Sarah, and a son, William.

Jeremiah, the third son of Thomas, married Martha Brownell. He died in 1677; she then married Charles Dyer and died on the 15th of February, 1744, aged 101 years. They left no children.

Thomas, the fourth son of Thomas, married Sarah Cook; was a tailor by trade; was made a Freeman of Portsmouth May 6, 1673; one of the first settlers of Tiverton, R. I., in 1692, but died in Dartmouth, Mass., on the 16th day of June, 1733, leaving three children—Mary, Thomas and Benjamin.

Mary, the only daughter of Thomas, married Joseph Anthony on the fifth day of April, 1676, and died in 1713. Her children were John, Joseph, Susanna and Thomas.

II.

Reuben, the second generation in our tracing line, and the youngest son of Thomas of Portsmouth, was married to Tabitha Lounders in 1681. Her father's name was John and her mother's maiden name was Jane Kirby. Reuben's name appears on record as one of the proprietors of Dartmouth, Mass., in 1685. He died on the 7th day of October, 1707, and she later in the same year. His will was proved on the 5th of November following, by which he gave to "son Thomas half of the farm; to wife Tabitha twenty acres, dwelling house, orchard for life and movables forever; to four sons—Benjamin, Joseph, Reuben and Jeremiah—rest of lands in Dartmouth; and at death of wife the house and land she occupies to go to

them, and to daughters Eleanor, Abigail and Tabitha Wait each £3." His children in their order were Thomas, Eleanor, Benjamin, Joseph and Abigail (twins) Tabitha and Reuben (twins) and Jeremiah. *W. A. W.*

Eleanor, the second child of Reuben, was born on the 4th day of January, 1688, and the day after her sixteenth birthday [January 5, 1704] she married Abiel Tripp, who was born on the 22d of June, 1684. Her children were Wait, Abiel, Mary, Sarah, Eleanor, Joseph, Rebecca, Thomas, Elizabeth and Amy.

Benjamin, the third child of Reuben, was born on the 12th day of January, 1690; was a carpenter by trade and died at Dartmouth unmarried in 1772. His will was proved February 24th of that year.

Joseph and Abigail were born on the 24th of June, 1693; she died unmarried. He was married November 30th, 1715, to Elizabeth Wolf. They had no children.

Tabitha and Reuben were born on the 15th day of January, 1695; his wife's name was Elizabeth and they were married on the 2d day of August, 1720. He died in 1757 intestate, and she took out letters of administration to settle his estate November 1st of the same year. He left one son whose name was Jeremiah. Tabitha did not marry.

Jeremiah, the youngest child of Reuben, was born the 16th of January, 1698, and died unmarried in 1754.

III.

Thomas, the third generation from Thomas of Portsmouth, and the oldest son of Reuben and Tabitha, was

born on the 23d of April, 1683; married on the 5th of January, 1710, Mary Tripp, who was born on the 22d day of August, 1689. Her father's name was Joseph and her mother's maiden name was Mehitable Fish. He sold his interests in his father's estate to his brother Benjamin in 1721. We find no record of his or her death, but they were both alive at the proving of his brother Jeremiah's will on the 5th of November, 1754, whereby he gave to "brother Thomas Wait's wife Mary certain rooms for life, and to brother Thomas apparel." They seem to have been poor in this world's possessions, but left as children John, Reuben, Thomas, Mary, Meribee, Mehitable, Martha and Alice. They were all born in Dartmouth, Mass., but Alice, who was born in East Greenwich, R. I.

John, the oldest of Thomas' children, was born on the 30th day of November, 1711, and was married to Elizabeth Sullivant on the 21st day of October, 1733, and their children were William, Tabitha, Meribah, Mary, Elizabeth and John.

Reuben, the second in order, was born on the 7th day of February, 1714, but we find no record of his marriage, children or death.

Mary, the fourth child, was born on the 5th day of April, 1718, and was married to William Tripp at twenty-five years of age [November 13, 1743].

Meribah, the fifth child, was born on the 20th of July, 1720, and we find no further record of her.

Mehitable, the sixth in order, was born November 18, 1722, and on the 28th of April, 1746, married Henry Rey-

nolds, and their children were Thomas, Hannah, Henry, Mary, Elisha, Mehitable and Martha. *Wash*

Martha, the seventh child, was born on the 5th day of April, 1725, and Alice, the youngest, the 23d of the same month four years later, and here our record closes with them.

IV.

Thomas, the third child of Thomas and Mary, and the fourth generation from Thomas of Portsmouth, and again in our tracing line, was born in a leap year and on the 29th day of February, 1716, and was married to Tabitha Ellis in West Greenwich, R. I., on the 6th day of June, 1743, John Spencer, justice, tying the knot. She was the second daughter of Jeremiah and Judith Ellis and was born in 1721. Thomas died in 1790, but the day and month we cannot determine; his will was proved on the 21st day of May of that year, and as a sample of a well-executed paper over one hundred years old, we will give it entire:

In the name of God—Amen. The seventeenth day of February, one thousand, seven hundred and eighty-six, in the tenth year of American independence, I, Thomas Wait^g of West Greenwich in the county of Kent and State of Rhode Island, yeoman, being in reasonable health and of perfect sound mind and memory, thanks be given to Almighty God for the same, and calling to mind the mortality of my body, and knowing that it is appointed once for all men to die, do make and ordain this instrument in writing to be my last will and testament,

that is to say—Primarily and first of all, I give and recommend my soul into the hands of God that gave it, and my body I recommend to the earth to be buried in a decent Christian burial at the discretion of my executor hereinafter named, and as touching such worldly estate as it hath pleased God to bless me with in this life, I give, demise and dispose of the same in the manner and form following:

First of all my will is that all my just debts and funeral charges be paid by my executor out of my estate.

Item. I give and bequeath to my beloved son, Gideon Wait, his heirs and assigns forever, six shillings lawful silver money. The reason I give him no more in this my will is because I have given him his portion already.

Item. I give and bequeath unto my beloved son, Jeremiah Wait, his heirs and assigns forever, thirty pounds lawful silver money, to be paid by my executor within one year after my decease, out of my estate.

Item. I give and bequeath unto my beloved son, Thomas Wait, his heirs and assigns forever, thirty-nine pounds lawful silver money, to be paid by my executor out of my estate within one year after my decease. I also give to my said son Thomas all my wearing apparel.

Item. I give and bequeath unto my beloved son, Peleg Wait, his heirs and assigns forever, thirty pounds lawful silver money, to be paid by my executor out of my estate within one year after my decease.

Item. I give and bequeath unto my beloved three daughters, namely—Alice Potter, Mary Wait and Lydia

Moon, six shillings lawful silver money each—that is, eighteen shillings—to be divided between them. The reason I give them no more is that they have received their portion already.

Item I give and bequeath unto my beloved granddaughter, Mary Wait, daughter of Lydia Moon, one feather bed, and furniture that therunto belongs to her, her heirs and assigns forever,

Item. I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife, Tabitha Wait, all my indoor household goods that I have not before given away in this my will, to be enjoyed by her, her heirs and assigns forever. I also give to my said wife, in lieu of her thirds, two cows, to be well kept for her during her widowhood by my executor; ten bushels of corn or rye; one hundred weight of good pork; fifty weight of beef; ten pounds of wool; twenty pounds of flax, yearly; and every year for as long time as she shall remain my widow; and the use of my east great room, and east bedroom, and a privilege in the cellar and the orchard, with her firewood cut and carted to her door during her widowhood—all of which I give to my said wife in lieu of her right of dower and power of thirds, if she shall see cause to accept of it.

Item. I give and bequeath unto my beloved son, Rufus Wait, my homestead farm and cedar swamp lot, and all my farming tools, with all the rest and residue of my estate, both real and personal, that I have not before given away in this my will—his paying all the just debts

and legacies herein given away in this my will, to him, his heirs and assigns, forever.

Lastly. I do nominate and appoint my beloved son, Rufus Wait, to be my whole and sole executor to this my last will and testament, to see the same fulfilled according to the true intent and meaning thereof; and I do utterly hereby disallow, revoke and disannul all and every other former testaments, wills, legacies and bequests and executors by me in any ways before named, willed and bequeathed, ratifying and confirming this and no other to be my last will and testament.

In witness thereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and year afore written.

{ L. S. }

THOMAS WAIT.

Signed, sealed, published and pronounced and declared by the said Thomas Wait to be his last will and testament in the presence of us, the subscribers.

PAUL JAMES,

Her

SARAH X FILLINGHAST,

Mark

BENJAMIN TILLINGHAST.

After his death his widow came to Petersburg, N. Y., with her youngest son, Rufus, where she died in 1813. Their children were Gideon, Jeremiah, Thomas, Mary, Lydia, Peleg, Rufus and Alice.

Gideon, the oldest son, was born on the 3d day of March, 1746; married Lois Tripp on the 6th of April, 1766, and children were Dorcas, Eunice, Silas, Jeremiah, Simon,

Thomas, Reynolds, Benjamin, Lois, Stephen and Hannah. Gideon was born in West Greenwich. Jeremiah, the second child, was also born in West Greenwich on the 1st day of April, 1749, by R. I. records, but on the 12th as kept by the family; married Hannah Matteson and moved to Manchester, Vermont, in 1792; from thence he went to Black Creek, Ontario, and died there on the second day of April, 1823, and she also March 6, 1839, leaving as children Jonathan, Sarah, Reuben, Levi, Thomas, Hannah, Elizabeth and Amarilla (twins), Mary and Lucy Ann. (Benjamin, a son of the above Reuben, was banished to Van Dieman's Land for political offenses in Canada in 1838.)

Thomas, the third in order, was born on the 10th day of April, 1755; married Naomi Weeks on New Years day, 1778, and his children were Eunice and Lucy.

Mary, the next in order, was born on the 11th day of February, 1757; married Reuben Wait on the 11th day of May, 1775, and her children were Mary, Reuben, Sally, Silas Ward and Rufus S. (William, the oldest son of John mentioned on page 8, married Thankful Matteson January 23, 1757, and Reuben, the husband of Mary above, was his son.) Mary died on the 26th day of Jan., 1835.

Lydia, the next in order, was born on the 19th day of March, 1759; married Dake Moon (Duke by R. I. records) the 16th day of October, 1783, and her children were Simon, Stephen, Rufus, Lydia, Electa, Thomas, Noel Merritt and Jefferson.

Rufus, the youngest son, was born on the 23d day of

April, 1764; married Eunice Hall on the 2d day of December, 1784, and his children were Dutee, Lydia, Jeremiah, John, Lois and Gardner.

Of the birth, marriage, children and death of the youngest child, Alice, we find no record whatever; but from her father's will we learn her husband's name was Potter, and from descendants of her father's family we also learn his name was William, and that they settled in Vermont; but a thorough search where they were supposed to live gives us nothing of them or any descendants of the name.

V.

Peleg, the fourth son of Thomas and Tabitha, and in our tracing line the fifth generation from Thomas of Portsmouth, was born in West Greenwich on the 22d day of October, 1761, by R. I. records, but on the 23d as kept by the family; married Mary Greene on Christmas day, 1783. She was born in East Greenwich on the 24th day of March, 1766; was the daughter of Benjamin Greene, a cousin to General Nathaniel Greene, and her mother's maiden name was also Mary Greene, a daughter of Henry Greene and Margaret Rathbone. Peleg and Mary moved to Stephentown, N. Y. (now Petersburg) in March, 1785; exchanged some household goods and a shot gun with a man by the name of Wells for his permit on the Van Rensselaer lands; obtained a lease of Stephen Van Rensselaer for the same March 13, 1793, on which farm Peleg died the 17th of October, 1847, and she also Febru-

ary 3, 1862. Their children were Greene, Clarke G., Mercy, Thomas, Benjamin G., Alice, Tabitha, Mary, Lois and Laura. The oldest child was born in West Greenwich, R. I., and the others on the farm mentioned.

Green [who always wrote his name without the final "e"], the oldest son of Peleg and Mary, was born on the 26th of September, 1784; was twice married—first to Diadama Clarke in 1803 and last to Lydia Moon, a daughter of Dake or Duke Moon, mentioned on page 13, in 1808. She was born April 15, 1791. She died January 3, 1867, in Michigan. He also October 18, 1868. His children were Greene C., who married Susan Stewart and died in 1883. Their children were Clemens C., Laura, Philinda, Fidelia, Almanza, Elizabeth and Rose; Nelson, who married Orpha Sylvester, and whose children were Marvin, Laura, Martha, Lutheria, Stephen and Addie; Electa, who married Nicholas Jones and died in 1832; Mercy, who died young; Harriet, who married David Patterson, and whose children were Electa, John C., Philo D., Louis K. and Seward; Noel M., who was twice married—first to Louisa Smith and last to Polly Dunton, and their children were Cynthia, Byron, Joel, John, Louisa, Harriet and Electa; Amanda, who married Stephen Parrish and died in 1851, and their children were Lucinda, Martha, Esther and Amanda; Rufus M., who was thrice married—first to Nancy A. Garlinghouse, second to Mary Coe, and last to Cyuthia Levens. He died in 1886; Laura, who married Asa W. Farr, and children were Alice, Elma, Lyman and States; Lydia, who married Dewitt C. Chapman and

died in 1863, and her children were Vidia J., Olive, George, Rena, Amanda, Caroline, Henry and Henley [twins] and Lydia; Henry, who married Caroline McCrossen and died in 1889; Alice, who married George Jennings and whose children were Sarah and John; Lyman O., who was twice married, first to Mercilla Lincoln and last to Valeria Brown, and his children were Marcus, Rufus, Lydia, Ada and Blanche; Juliza, who married William O. Ward, and Fanny is their only child; Lucinda P., who married Daniel Slout and died in 1854, and Sardinia E., who married Zibeon Pierce and have one son, Eugene.

Clarke G., the second child of Peleg, was born the 3d day of April, 1787; married in September, 1808, Abigail Phillips, who was born May 14, 1791. They settled in Granville, N. Y. He died the eleventh of October, 1838, at Lockport, N. Y., returning from a visit to Illinois, and she at Hartford, N. Y., June 3, 1863. Their children were Pamela, who married Samuel B. Warren and died in 1881, and her children were Dorleska, Lutheria C. and Seth; Elvaton J., who was twice married, first to Abigail Roblee and last to Elizabeth Benway, and their children were Elvaton E., Mansir K., Malden C., Josephine, Emma, Sarah E., Merton B. and Martha; Clarke G., who was also twice married, first to Charlotte Warren and last to Margaret Austin, and died in 1888. His children were Ella, Malcomb and Louis K.; Hamilton L., who married Esther Waller and died in 1882, and his children were Lucy, Martha and Sarah;

Mansir K., who married Julia A. Haile and died in 1892, and their children were Josephine, Pamela, Clarke, Cassius, Ida, Emma, Charles and Estelle; Adoniram J., who first married Caroline Bull and last Amelia Agard Landon, and his children were Missouri L., Alsenia, Alton P., and A. Judson; Priscilla, who married Eli Ray, and her children were Adelaide A., Malden and Katherine M.; Martha, who married Henry Tefft; Philetus G., who married Delia Haile and died in 1881, and his children were Delia Altana, Eva, Inez, Laura, Nora and Philetus; Leander R., who married Mehitable Martin, and his children were Levi, Eva, Charles, Mary and Martha [twins], Mansir K. and Edward; Abigail, who married Zacheriah Sill; Dewitt C., who died young, and Harlow P., who married Bettie Laws.

Mercy, the third child of Peleg, was born the 4th of April, 1789; married William Gardner in 1812 and died in Rodman, N. Y., December 11, 1876. Her children were Peleg W., who married Julia A. Waite, and whose children were Clarke, Schuyler S., Rufus D., Jennie, Mary A., Milo and Sherman S.; Wm. Harrison, who married Catharine Van Olinda, and children were Charles O. and Almeda, and Job C., who married Sarah Trowbridge, and children were Alvin, Eugene, Nellie, Permelia and Della M.

Thomas, the fourth child of Peleg, was born on the first day of May, 1791; married Chloe J. Roblee the 13th day of March, 1821, and died in Michigan the 24th of March, 1861, and she October 11, 1884.

His children were Eliza J., Mary L., Matilda A., who married Levi H. Lockwood; Damaris A., who married John S. Corbin; Roxie E. and Franklin P. They are all dead but Mary, who married Dr. David McCrossen, and the only grandchild of Thomas is Medora L. McCrossen of Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Alice, the sixth child of Peleg, was born the 6th of July, 1795; married James B. Hewitt the 17th of February, 1817, and died in Richmond, N. Y. (now Canadice) on the 26th of September, 1827, leaving as children Almanza, who married Jeremiah F. Phillips, and her children were Dorleska and a son who died in infancy; Peleg W., who married Nancy Thompson, and his children were Wilson, Cornelia, Alice, Edwin C., and Mary J.; Mary, who married S. J. B. Watson, and her children were Ellen and Sanford; Emily, who married Joseph Benson, and whose children were Emma, Ameilia, Hannah, Esther, George and Cora, and Alice, who married Darius Davis, and her children were Ida, Charles and Belle.

Tabitha, the seventh child of Peleg, was born April 18, 1797; married Spink Matteson, September 6, 1835. She is living at Forreston, Illinois, and her children were Clark K., who married Sarah Northrop, and have one child, John C., and Harlow L., who married first Maryette Odell and last Henrietta Fager, and his children were Giles Buel, Orrin E., Laura Winnefred, Harrison F. and Glenn.

Mary, the eighth child of Peleg, was born April 30th,

1799; married Caleb Wells September 25th, 1823, and died in Petersburg the 30th of December, 1853, and her children were Horace W., who married Huldah J. Young, and his children were Milo M., Frank B., William E., Arthur M. and Clarence M.; Mary M., who married Henry H. Lewis, and her children were William H., Frank B., Eunice, Emeline P. and Edwin H.; William Stafford, who married Mary E. Walser and died in 1888, and his children were Horace W., Almeda, William and Frank; Zacheus C., who married Eucebia J. Babcock, had one child, Square U.; and Pamela and Priscilla (twins). Priscilla died in infancy, and Pamela married Henry R. Hartshorn. *W. out*

Lois, the ninth child of Peleg, was born the 8th of December, 1801; married Calvin P. Hill the 12th of September, 1824; died in Watertown, N. Y., on the 11th of September, 1873, and her children were Orrin D., who married first Martha M. Boynton, and last Emma A. Boynton; Laura A., who died in infancy, Alice M., who married Darius Davis and died in 1892; Clarke C., who married Eliza A. Hovey, and whose children were Walter H., Frank C., and Frances A., and Frances A., who died unmarried.

Laura, the youngest child of Peleg, was born the 5th of November, 1804, and died unmarried the 5th of December, 1831.

VI.

Benjamin Greene, the fifth child of Peleg, and the sixth generation from Thomas of Portsmouth, was born in Petersburg the 27th day of April, 1793; married Mary Odell, a daughter of Jonathan Odell and Mary Abbot, the 30th of March, 1817. She was born in Petersburg the 20th of August, 1798, and a sister to Mrs. Lydia Baxter, the poetess. After a little more than a year's stay at the place of their birth after their marriage, they settled in Granville, N. Y., where they remained until February, 1826, when they removed to Richmond (now Canadice), where they spent the remainder of their days; he dying on the 27th of March, 1861, and she May 31st of the same year. Their children were Oran Leelan. Benjamin Riley, Edwin Giles, Dennis Byron, Mary Eme-line and Emily Augusta.

Oran L., the oldest child of Benjamin and Mary, was born in Petersburg the 27th of March, 1818, and died unmarried at Oregon, Illinois, February 24, 1847.

Benjamin R., the second child, was born the 19th of November, 1819, in Granville, and died unmarried in Canadice on the 25th of December, 1880.

Edwin G., the third child, was also born in Granville the 11th of June, 1824; went to California in March, 1849, where he married Julia E. Stone on the 13th of May, 1856. He lives at Alameda, but being Secretary of State is now staying at Sacramento. His children were Ida Victoria, born on the 12th of February, 1857, and

died on the 7th of July, 1860; Julia Bertha, born the 27th of August, 1861; Mary Agnes, born the 16th of December, 1864, and married G. P. Remmel the 3d of December, 1885; Effie Genevieve, born the 24th of February, 1871, and Edith Alice, born on the 22d of March, 1873.

Mary E., the fifth child, was born in Canadice on the 22d day of March, 1830; married Charles O. Ball the 22d day of April, 1857, and died in Hastings, Minnesota, the 19th of September, 1863. Her children were C. Arthur, born in Minnesota the 8th of February, 1858, and died the 16th of December, 1885, and Charles Albert, born in Canadice the first day of April, 1860, and died the 23d of December, 1862, in Hastings.

E. Augusta, the youngest child, was born also in Canadice on the 17th day of June, 1833; married David S. Burton on the 9th of January, 1856, and lives in Rochester, N. Y. Her children were Clarence D., born on the 7th of January, 1862, and died on the 26th; Willie B., born on the 1st day of July, 1863, and died on the 29th of November, 1873; Edwin W. and Edgar [twins], born on the 5th of January, 1875, and Edgar died the 6th, and Hannah A., born on the 9th of December, 1874, and died on the 24th. They were all born in Texas.

VII.

D. Byron, the fourth son of Benjamin and Mary, and the seventh generation from Thomas of Portsmouth, was born in Richmond, N. Y. [now Canadice], on the 29th day of February, 1828, being on the same day of the same month that his great grandfather was born on

one hundred and twelve years before; was married in Springwater on the 4th day of September, 1855, to Harriet Merinda Brown, who was born on the 28th of June, 1833, and the oldest daughter of Maurice Brown and Merinda Fox. They first settled in Hastings, Minnesota, where they remained but one year, when they returned to Canadice, where she died on the 15th day of October, 1869. Their children were Byron Audubon, Genevra, Burette and Gates Percival.

B. Audubon, the oldest child of D. Byron and Harriet M., was born in Springwater, N. Y., on the 7th day of April, 1857; went to Kettle Falls, Washington, in 1890, but is now at Waneta, British Columbia.

Genevra, the second child, was born in Canadice on the 17th of January, 1859, and died on the 9th of April, 1873.

Burette, the third child, was born also in Canadice the 19th day of August, 1860; married Drayton Muchler on the 27th of November, 1879, and died in West Sparta, N. Y., on the 27th day of November, 1881, leaving one child, Percival, who was born on the 18th of February, 1881, and is now living at Flint, Michigan.

G. Percival, the youngest child of D. Byron and Harriet M., was born in Canadice on the 30th day of July, 1862; went to Kettle Falls, Washington, in 1890, where he is at present.

D. Byron married for his second wife Amanda M. Colvin on the 16th day of April, 1872. She was born on the 18th of February, 1839.

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